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In re the Divisional Application of )  
 Jeffrey S. Lille )  
 Serial No.: 10/601,982 )  
 Filing Date: 6/20/03 )  
 For: METAL CARBIDE AIR BEARING )  
 SURFACE LAYER ON A SILICON )  
 READ/WRITE HEAD ELEMENT )

Group Art Unit: 3729

Examiner : Kim, Paul D.

Mail Stop Amendment  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

— Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

— A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

X It is believed that no additional fee is required.

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X Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

X Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action dated March 10, 2005, the response being due by May 10, 2005, please enter and consider the following.

IN THE TITLE:

Please replace the title with the following:

~~METAL CARBIDE~~ A METHOD FOR FORMING AN AIR BEARING SURFACE ON A  
SLIDER LAYER ON A SILICON READ/WRITE HEAD ELEMENT